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All persons are by nature free and independent, and have certain natural and unalienable rights, among which are those of enjoying and defending life and liberty, of acquiring, possessing, and protecting property, and of pursuing and obtaining safety and happiness.

-- Article 1, Section 1, New Jersey State Constitution

A Critical Guide to the Second Amendment, Part III The Standard Model: A Summary

By Glenn Harlan Reynolds

The picture of the Second Amendment that emerges is a coherent one, consistent with both the text of the Constitution and what we know about the Framers' understanding. The purpose of the right to bear arms is twofold: to allow individuals to protect themselves and their families, and to ensure a body of armed citizenry from which a militia could be drawn, whether that militia's role was to protect the nation, or to protect the people from a tyrannical government. Professor Joyce L. Malcolm writes:

"[T]he Second Amendment was meant to accomplish two distinct goals, each perceived as crucial to the maintenance of liberty. First, it was meant to guarantee the individual's right to have arms for self-defence and self-preservation. Such an individual right was a legacy of the English Bill of Rights. This is also plain from American colonial practice, the debates over the Constitution, and state proposals for what was to become the Second Amendment....

"The second and related objective concerned the militia, and it is the coupling of these two objectives that has caused the most confusion. The customary American militia necessitated an armed public, and Madison's original version of the amendment, as well as those suggested by the states, described the militia as either "composed of" or "including" the body of the people. A select militia was regarded as little better than a standing army." [To Keep and Bear Arms, 162-63 (1994)]

The mainstream scholarly interpretation of the Second Amendment -- what I have been calling the Standard

Model -- has thus succeeded in making clear the meaning of a text that many modern readers may find unclear. This is no small accomplishment. It also provides many useful answers to questions that may occur to some readers, answers that I will summarize here

1. The National Guard

One commonplace assertion of newspaper editorialists and others who discuss the Second Amendment in the popular press is that the National Guard is the "militia" protected by that Amendment. This is clearly wrong. As mentioned above, the "militia" referred to in the Second Amendment was to be composed of the entire populace, for only such a body could serve as a check on the government. Indeed, both English and American history had led Americans to be very suspicious of "select" militias. Such bodies, composed of those deemed politically reliable by authorities, had played unfortunate roles in the past, and were regarded with the same suspicion as standing armies. As one scholar notes, the Framers' references to select militias were "strongly pejorative."

Today's National Guard, which might more properly be thought of as "troops" than "militia" anyhow, is a very select militia indeed, and can hardly be expected to substitute for the "whole body of the people." The National Guard was never designed to resist a tyrannical government. Rather, the National Guard was created in response to the perceived shortcomings of the militia as an offensive force: there were repeated incidents in which the militia refused to invade Canada, Mexico, and various other locations, or in which federal attempts to so employ the militia were held illegal.

Under the current system, National Guard officers have dual status: they are both members of the State Guard and members of the federal armed forces. They are armed, paid, and trained by the federal government. They can be called out at will by the federal government, and such call-outs cannot be resisted, in any meaningful fashion, by them or by their states. They are subject to federal military discipline on the same basis as members of the national government's armed forces. And they are required to swear an oath lovalty to the United States government, as well as to their states. As one military officer writes:

By providing for a militia in the Constitution, the Framers sought to strengthen civilian control of the military. They postulated that a militia composed of citizen-soldiers would curb any unseemly ambitions of the small standing army. Today's National Guard is often perceived as the successor to the militia, and observers still tout the Guard's role as the ultimate restraint on the professional military.

The reality, however, is much different. Today's national guard is a very different force from the colonial-era militia. With 178,000 full-time federal [civilian] employees and almost all of its budget drawn from the federal government, the National Guard is, for all practical purposes, a federal force. Indeed, one commentator concluded that it is very much akin to the "standing army" against which the Founding Fathers railed. [Col. Charles J. Dunlap, Jr., "Welcome to the Junta: The Erosion of Civilian Control of the U.S. Military". 29 Wake Forest L. Rev. 341, 384-85 (1994) (quoting William S. Fields & David T. Hardy, The Militia and the Constitution: A Legal History, 136 Mil. L. Rev. 1, 2 (1992)]

It is thus difficult to argue that the "militia" referred to in the Second Amendment is merely today's National Guard, or, for that matter, any other select governmental body. As Professor Malcolm states, "[t]he argument that today's National Guardsmen, members of a select militia, would constitute the only persons entitled to keep and bear arms has no historical foundation." At any rate, one need look no further than the statute books to see that such an assertion is incorrect: the National Guard and the militia are distinct entities. At both the federal and state levels, the "unorganized militia" is defined as essentially the entire population except for the old and the very young -- with the difference that states include women. many Furthermore, of course, neither the National Guard nor any institution much like it existed at the time of the framing. As Standard Model scholars point out, this makes any argument that the Second Amendment merely protects the National Guard untenable.

-- 62 Tenn. L. Rev. 461-511 (1995) Ed.: Next month "What Weapons are Protected?"

Why Must Congress Nazify America!

By Ted Lang

Why did declare we independence and assemble a ragtag army of sorry-assed farmers defying our mother country Britain? Why did we defy King George III if we now worship and obey King George II? Aren't we going backwards? Why did we fight Hitler, and then use his 1938 Gun Control Act to create our 1968 Gun Control Act through the efforts of the late Senator Thomas Dodd? Why does Congress hate America and Americans so much? What did we ever do to them?

How could our domestic Air Traffic Control radar system AND our NORAD radar system BOTH have been down on and not detect FOUR incoming bogies with no identification for those blips due to turned-off transponders? What of Cheney's barking at an aide when informed that one bogey was only thirty miles out on that 9/11 morning? The aide asked: Is the drill still on, or has it been called off? Cheney angrily replied: Did anyone tell you it was off?

And what of the Mossad agents captured on New Jerseys Route 3 by the Bergen County Police and documented in the Bergen *Record* that day? Why did our Department of Justice

quietly release them and then send them back to Israel? Traces of explosives found in their van pointed to involvement in the controlled implosion demolition of both WTC towers AND Building 7, confirming suspicions of an inside job similar to the Reichstag hoax.

Why aren't members of Congress asking these questions? If someone of political stature conjured up true patriotism and loyalty for America, perhaps we could all really enjoy a refreshing repeat of good history: The Nuremburg Trials!

I Do Not Wish to Be Associated with Torture

Hon. Pete Hoekstra
Chair House Permanent Select
Committee on Intelligence
Washington, DC March 2, 2006

Dear Congressman Hoekstra:

As a matter of conscience, I am returning the Intelligence Commendation Award medallion given me for "especially commendable service" during my 27-year career in CIA. The issue is torture, which inhabits the same category as rape and slavery-intrinsically evil. I do not wish to be associated, however remotely, with an agency engaged in torture.

Reports in recent years that CIA personnel were torturing detainees were highly disturbing. Confirmation of a sort came last fall, when CIA Director Porter Goss and Dick Cheney - dubbed by the Washington Post "Vice President for Torture" - descended on Sen. John McCain to demand that the CIA be exempted from his amendment's ban on torture. Subsequent reports implicated agency personnel in several cases of prisoner abuse in Iraq, including a few in detainees which died interrogation.

The obeisance of CIA directors George Tenet and Porter Goss in heeding illegal White House directives has done irreparable harm to the CIA and the country - not to mention those tortured and killed. That you, as Chair of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, show more deference to the White House than dedication to your oversight responsibilities under the Constitution is another profound disappointment. How can you and your counterpart, Sen. Pat Roberts, turn a blind eye to torture - letting some people get away, literally, with murder - and square that with your conscience?

If German officials who were ordered to do such things in the 1930s

had spoken out early and loudly enough, the German people might have been alerted to the atrocities being perpetrated in their name and tried harder to stop them. When my grandchildren ask, "What did you do, Grandpa, to stop the torture," I want to be able to tell them that I tried to honor my oath, taken both as an Army officer and an intelligence officer, to defend the Constitution of the United States - and that I not only spoke out strongly against the torture, but also sought a symbolic way to dissociate myself from it.

We Americans have become accustomed to letting our institutions do our sinning for us. I abhor the corruption of the CIA in the past several years, believe it to be beyond repair, and do not want my name on any medallion associated with it. Please destroy this one.

Yours truly, Ray McGovern

-- Ray McGovern works for Tell the Word, the publishing arm of the ecumenical Church of the Saviour in Washington, DC.

All Eyes on You

You may not realize it, but that pack of disposable razors you just bought can enable you to be tracked wherever you go. Same with that discount card you used to buy the razors in the first place.

Somewhere, a computer is collating and tabulating all of your information from the moment you step into the store, and using it to generate a "profile" of you for unknown purposes.

Not only that, but one day in the near future, you could have a little microchip implanted in your body. Like something out of "Blade Runner" or "The Matrix," you could be electronically "tagged" and identified in order to build a record of your medical information, accessible anywhere in the world -- and for other purposes you may not know about.

Sound like cyberpunk at its most cliché? Far from it. Radio frequency identifiers (RFID) -- more commonly known as "spy chips" -- are a reality in everything from retail business to medical records.

In the words of Alex Eckelberry, president of Florida-based Sunbelt Software, "The problem with RFID...[is that] we are headed toward a state where privacy will be a thing of the past."

RFID works on a deceptively

In the beginning of change the patriot is a scarce man, brave, hated and scorned. When his cause succeeds, however, the timid join him, for then it costs nothing to be a patriot. – Mark Twain

simple principle. An object is implanted or "tagged" with a small computer chip. The chip is monitored wirelessly by a "reader" that identifies its unique signature, and whatever information is on the chip is automatically stored in a linked database.

What makes this different from classic "bar codes" is that the data storage capacity for RFID enables each and every tagged item to have its own unique identifier, whereas the bar code system has one code for an entire class of item.

Business was quick to jump on the concept of millions of products that could be individually identified and tracked. Wal-Mart has invested \$250 million in RFID technology and is requiring their distributors to mark highend items such as consumer electronics with RFID tags.

The Department of Homeland Security is testing the use of RFID-tagged cards for visitors to and from the U.S. Border guards would "read" the cards each time a visitor crossed the divide.

The Defense Department is using RFID suppliers to tag their shipments of food, clothes, and weapons.

The most controversial aspect of RFID technology usage is the concept of installing RFID tags in humans and animals alike.

VeriChip's "VeriMed" tracking solution would enable doctors to identify medical patients who may be unable to provide proof of who they are or who can't communicate effectively. The patient would have an RFID chip implanted on their body, which the physician could then track with a handheld reader.

The patient's medical information would be stored, according to VeriChip, "[in] a designated secure healthcare information database, allowing [the physician] to immediately take the safest course of action."

VeriChip's owner, Applied Digital, is planning an initial public offering for VeriChip in late 2006.

According to the press release, "Offering proceeds will also be used for enhancing the growing sales of the infant protection systems, wander prevention systems and asset tracking systems both in the U.S. and internationally."

Former Department of Health and Human Services chairman Tommy Thompson serves on the board of directors of VeriChip, and publicly exhorted the virtues of using RFID for medical information tracking.

VeriChip spokesman John Procter emphasized that all uses of the chip are "completely voluntary." The best uses for the chip would be for patients who may be mentally ill or have prior conditions that require constant care, he said.

Legal guardians of patients who may be unable to communicate their desires may have the authority to "chip" someone without their permission. The data would be stored in a "secured, password-protected, firewalled database" maintained by Applied Digital, except in cases where hospitals maintained their own databases.

Katherine Albrecht, founder of Consumers Against Supermarket Privacy Invasion and Numbering (CASPIAN), has repeatedly exposed the surreptitious usage of RFID in everyday life

Albrecht recently told *Mother Jones* magazine, "The problem is that RFID tags can be so easily hidden into products -- things people buy and carry - and the reader devices can be so easily hidden. This makes it extremely easy for someone who wants to observe and watch people in these surreptitious ways to do so."

CASPIAN's efforts have uncovered the insertion of tiny RFID tags into Gillette razorblade packages and discount cards for the METRO "future store" in Rhineberg, Germany.

In an interview with ConsumerAffairs.Com, McIntyre said that Walgreens could use their new RFID system "not just to track displays, but customers as well." She noted that Walgreen's marketer, Goliath Solutions, has emphasized the ability to hide the RFID readers in light fixtures and other unobtrusive areas, "so customers couldn't see them."

According to Goliath's patent filing, tracking store displays with RFID tags "will allow the flow of specific shopper traffic within a store to be monitored and analyzed. In addition, the system will allow subsequent marketing programs, such as coupons or direct mail, to be tailored to or made conditional on shopper interests, shopping patterns, or prior exposure to marketing materials."

Opponents of RFID chips say that identity thieves and criminals may be able to use their own readers to "tag" the data in a chip. McIntyre agrees, but believes the major issue should be with businesses and government agencies who are already collecting data without the public's consent.

Alex Eckelberry thinks that the usage of RFID for surveillance presages

an erosion of individual privacy, and individual liberty with it.

"One of the founding tenants of our society is the belief that freedoms and privacy are interconnected. We have fundamental freedoms that are vital for our nation to continue to succeed, and we have seen a slow whittling down of these freedoms that pose a real danger to our future. Freedom and privacy are critical to a healthy society."

In the landmark article, "The Right to Privacy," Supreme Court Justice Louis Brandeis laid out the case for privacy being an essential right: "The intensity and complexity of life, attendant upon advancing civilization, have rendered necessary some retreat from the world, and man, under the refining influence of culture, has become more sensitive to publicity, so that solitude and privacy have become more essential to the individual; but modern enterprise and invention have, through invasions upon his privacy, subjected him to mental pain and distress, far greater than could be inflicted by mere bodily injury." [Harvard L. Rev., Vol. IV, No. 5, December 15, 1890]

-- ConsumerAffairs.com, Dec. 15, 2005

UK to Track All Vehicular Traffic

Britain is to become the first country in the world where the movements of all vehicles on the roads are recorded. A new national surveillance system will hold the records for at least two years. Using a network of cameras that can automatically read every passing number plate, the plan is to build a huge database of vehicle movements so that the police and security services can analyze any journey a driver has made over several years. By next March a central database installed alongside the Police National Computer in Hendon, north London, will store the details of 35 million numberplate 'reads' per day. These will include time, date and precise location, with camera sites monitored by global positioning satellites. -- Independent, Dec.23, 2005

About Liberty Coalition

The Liberty Coalition works to help organize, support, and coordinate transpartisan public policy activities related to civil liberties and basic human rights. We work in conjunction with groups of partner organizations that are interested in preserving the Bill of Rights, personal autonomy and individual privacy. The Liberty Coalition is concerned about the threat to

Americans' fundamental and inalienable rights. The Coalition is dedicated to upholding and protecting our basic rights to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. In order to accomplish our task, we seek to protect those freedoms as articulated in the Bill of Rights. We base our concerns on the fundamental values and principles of the Declaration Independence and the U.S. Constitution, particularly the separation of powers and federalism, and Bill of Rights. These are also embodied in the 14th amendment, especially the due process and privileges and immunities clauses. For more on The Liberty Coalition visit www.libertycoalition.net.

Genocide

By a Concerned Citizen

For decades the elected political whore has divided our nation to where as our founding principles have been destroyed and replaced with a despotic system, socialism.

American, you are a witness to this destruction. The hard core irrefutable fact, you no longer have a country!!

As they support the building of an empire, they demonstrate outright contempt against our laws and way of life. They have violated our beloved Declaration of Independence. They have dismantled the law of the land, our Constitution(s) which is treason against our Republic, and as they deny us of our Bill of Rights, their anti-American policies has encouraged illegals to flood this country, flags a-flying, and protest, utilizing our First Amendment which Americans have fought and violently died to protect!

A proper form of government which promotes and protects liberty for its nation has both boundaries and one common language. The politician has divided our nation into ten regions by eliminating state boundaries through the 1939 Buck Act. In 1942 our national boundaries were dissolved ("Post War New World Map").

The politician has continually demonstrated that they hold absolutely no allegiance for our Republic. In brevity, the politician has committed Genocide, which is "the systematic killing of a people or nation" against we the people of America!

American, we are in an hour of turmoil and anarchy. Our way of life has been altered decades ago and we have failed to meet the challenge! Will we survive or will we be crushed depends entirely upon you. Continue as we have done in the past decades and we are finished!!

Grief Compels Support of War

Fairfield, Ohio -- In the year since his son died in Iraq, real estate broker John Prazynski has devoted much of his time to supporting the troops through fundraisers, trips to Camp Lejeune, N.C., and interviews backing the war effort.

"I could easily have gone the other way," Prazynski said. He says his activism is a tribute to his son, trying to "make something positive happen out of something so negative. That's what Taylor would want us to do."

Marine Lance Cpl. Taylor Prazynski, 20, died May 9, 2005, of shrapnel wounds from a mortar shell.

The former Air Force tech school instructor shares the pain - but not the viewpoint - of Cindy Sheehan, a founder of Gold Star Families for Peace, who became a war protester after her son Casey was killed in Iraq in April 2004.

"She's grieving, as we are," Prazynski said. "She's chosen to direct her energies in a different direction. I say God bless her.

"My son died for the Constitution that allows her to do what she's doing. Her son died, and God bless him, too, to support and defend the Constitution that gives her the right to speak freely, and I'm all for that right."

-- AP, May 13

Ed.: Our deepest condolences go out to Mr. Prazynski and Ms. Sheehan for the loss of their sons. It seems to us, though, that until Americans get beyond the First Amendment -- in this instance, the right to speak freely — and inform both themselves and the powers-that-be about the constitutional war powers of Articles 1 (Congress) and 2 (the Executive) a lot more beloved sons are going to die for nothing, a la Vietnam and Iraq.

"Do as I Say, Not Do as I Do"

Bellvue, Washington -- Seattle Police Chief Gil Kerlikowske is back in the spotlight, supporting yet another piece of gun control legislation -- while cops still haven't found the chief's semiautomatic pistol, stolen from his car in 2004.

During a press conference earlier this week, Kerlikowske observed, "It's important to me to do whatever I can to keep illegal guns out of our communities."

"If the chief really wants to keep guns out of the wrong hands, he shouldn't leave pistols lying around in his car while he and his wife are shopping," responded Alan Gottlieb, founder of the Second Amendment Foundation.

"Chief Kerlikowske is pretty quick to support gun laws that ratchet down on the rights of law-abiding citizens who are more responsible with their guns than he was with his," Gottlieb stated.

"Anti-gun police administrators haven't had much luck with their own hardware," Gottlieb noted. "Former Detroit Chief Jerry Oliver was detained at an airport for having a loaded gun in his carry-on bag in 2003. Remember when former Madison, WI Chief Richard Williams stashed his gun in the oven, and then turned the oven on? And let's not forget a couple of other thefts of police guns from cars here in Washington State in the past year.

"Chief Kerlikowske is playing the 'Do as I Say, Not as I Do' game," Gottlieb said.

-- SAF press release Dec. 15, 2005

Lap Dogs of the Press

By Helen Thomas

Of all the unhappy journalistic trends I have witnessed nothing is more troubling than the obsequious press during the run-up to the invasion of Iraq. They lapped up everything the Pentagon and White House could dish out - no questions asked.

Reporters and editors like to think of themselves as watchdogs for the public good. But they have defaulted on that role. Ted Stannard, a former UPI correspondent, put it this way: "When watchdogs, bird dogs, and bull dogs morph into lap dogs, lazy dogs, or yellow dogs, the nation is in trouble."

The naive complicity of the press was never more pronounced than in the prelude to the invasions of Afghanistan and Iraq. The media became an echo chamber for White House pronouncements. One example: At President Bush's March 6, 2003, news conference, in which he made it eminently clear that the U.S. was going to war, one reporter pleased the "born again" Bush when she asked him if he prayed about going to war. And so it went.

After all, the New York *Times* and the Washington *Post* had kept up a drumbeat for war with Iraq to bring down Dictator Saddam Hussein. They accepted almost unquestioningly the bogus evidence of weapons of mass destruction, the dubious White House rationale that proved to be so costly on a human scale, not to mention a drain on the Treasury. Both newspapers

played into the hands of the Administration.

When Secretary of State Colin Powell delivered his ninety-minute "boffo" statement on Saddam's lethal toxic arsenal on February 5, 2003, before the United Nations, and was later proved wrong, he simply lost his halo. The newspapers played his backpedaling on the back pages.

My concern is why the nation's media were so gullible. Why did reporters become cheerleaders for a deceptive Administration? Could it be that no one wanted to stand alone outside Washington's pack journalism?

Robert Koehler summed it up best in his August 20, 2004, column in the San Francisco *Chronicle*: "Our print media pacesetters, the New York *Times* and the Washington *Post*, have searched their souls over the misleading pre-war coverage they foisted on the nation last year, and blurted out qualified Reaganesque mea culpas: 'Mistakes were made.'"

All the blame cannot be laid at the doorstep of the print media. CNN war correspondent Christiane Amanpour was critical of her own network for not asking enough questions about WMD. She attributed it to the competition for ratings with Fox, which had an inside track to top Administration officials.

Despite the apologies of the mainstream press for not having vigilantly questioned evidence of WMD and links to terrorists in the early stages of the war, the newspapers dropped the ball again by ignoring for days the socalled Downing Street memo reported in the London Times on May 1, 2005. That report revealed a secret session in which Richard Dearlove, former head of British intelligence, told Prime Minister Blair that Bush "wanted to remove Saddam Hussein through military action, justified by the conjunction of terrorism and WMD. But the intelligence and facts were being fixed around the policy."

The Downing Street memo was a bombshell when discussed by the bloggers, but the mainstream print media ignored it until it became too embarrassing to suppress any longer. The *Post* discounted the memo as old news. Los Angeles *Times* editorial page editor Michael Kinsley decided that the classified minutes of the Blair meeting were not a "smoking gun." The New York *Times* touched on the memo in a dispatch during the last days leading up to the British elections, but put it in the tenth paragraph.

All this took me back to the unraveling of the Watergate scandal. The White House press corps realized it had fallen asleep at the switch. Looking

back, they knew they had missed many clues on Watergate and were determined to become much more skeptical of what was being dished out to them. And, indeed, they were. The White House press room became a lion's den.

By contrast, after the White House lost its credibility in rationalizing the pre-emptive assault on Iraq, the correspondents began to come out of their coma, yet they were still too timid to challenge Administration officials, who were trying to put a good face on a bad situation.

I honestly believe that if reporters had put the spotlight on the flaws in the Bush Administration's war policies, they could have saved the country the heartache and the losses of American and Iraqi lives.

It is past time for reporters to forget the party line, ask the tough questions and let the chips fall where they may.

-- The Nation, March 10

Slouching toward Global Enslavement

By Joan Veon

In order to understand the importance of 2005's march towards global governance -- the integration of the world's peoples, countries, and philosophies -- we must briefly visit the past.

In 1913 the Federal Reserve Act was passed. Thus a private corporation manages the U.S.'s monetary and financial system. "The Fed", as it is called, has greater power than our president and Congress, as it controls the banking system and the country's business cycle. If you want to know where they get their money to lend to our government -- they print it!

Beginning in 1944, a new international infrastructure was set in place above the nation-states. With the birth of the International Monetary Fund/World Bank, the financial and economic barriers fell, with the birth of the United Nations, the political barriers fell, with the birth of the World Trade Organization, the trade barriers fell, with the birth of the International Criminal Court, the legal barriers fell, and as a result of 9/11, military and intelligence barriers fell between the nation-states. Thus today, we are in a borderless world.

In 1971, President Richard Nixon, issued Executive Order No. 11647 which divided the U.S. into ten regions. The resulting "regional government" centralizes all the decision-making in the White House. Today,

Regional Government is alive and well as many states pass laws to consolidate the local, county, and village levels of government. Furthermore, our government has circumvented the power of the states by re-distributing the funds the states send them to regional government instead! Many of the infrastructure needs such as transportation, waste, water, etc. are all on a "regional" basis.

In 1990, Prince Charles, Prince of Wales put together the Prince of Wales International Business Leaders' Forum, with the purpose of setting up public-private partnerships or PPP between governments, business, and non-governmental organizations. Basically, public-private partnerships provide a way for corporations to become "co-managers" with government regarding the governance of the country.

The Prince admitted in a speech while he was in the United States that he met with U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan to see if business and government could work together. What came out of their discussions was the U.N. Global Compact.

Today, thousands of publicprivate partnerships are operating worldwide. They include partnerships for schools, sewer systems, transportation, water, utilities, etc. In fact the proposed Trans Texas Corridor will be a PPP. At the 2002 World Summit for Sustainable Development, an unprecedented 250 PPP's were formed. One is the Congo Basin Forest Partnership which involves 14 governments, including the U.S. and 8 African countries, 8 environmental groups like the World Wildlife Fund along with the American Forest and Paper Association which represents 200 companies. This partnership includes 74 million acres of land in Africa. Furthermore, there are dozens of these complex partnerships that the U.S. has entered into that include countries around the world.

In 1992, the UN held the "Rio Earth Summit" in which those attending, which numbered nearly 30,000, agreed to Agenda 21 which is a complete reordering of the planet. It basically elevates the earth above the value of man as man's value is dependent on if he or she can produce. It basically says that the earth's resources need to be counted, controlled, and monitored for "future generations." Fifteen years later, every country in the world has changed how their government operates as sustainable development is carried out worldwide. One of the treaties encompassed in Agenda 21 is the UN Biological Diversity Treaty which says

man has to be sequestered into "growth areas" so that the rest of the country can be put back for the purpose of re-wilding or allowing animals to roam freely.

In 2000, the United Nations was given an overhaul in which more power was given to the Secretary-General and the General Assembly. It was also given the ability to have its own rapid defense force. Furthermore, it was given the ability to raise its own finances through various schemes to be determined in the future. Lastly, the UN unveiled the Millennium Development Goals to reduce poverty, hunger, and disease worldwide which will demand new ways to find new sources of funds. With this background, we can now understand the events of 2005.

Ed.: next month, the events of 2005.

"America: From Freedom to Fascism"

Great news for freedom lovers! The Aaron Russo production "America: From Freedom to Fascism" is screening in select communities throughout the US.

While the film focuses on the Internal Revenue Service, it pointedly establishes that we are ALL at the mercy of a runaway government. The bloated, corrupt and inept IRS and Federal Reserve are the foundation of what's wrong with our government.

Not concerned about the IRS or the Federal Reserve system? If you're a gun owner, you should be. In manipulating our economy, these institutions permit the current police state to grow bigger and stronger. Indeed, the 1934 National Firearms Act has proven conclusively that "mere" taxation can virtually ban entire categories of goods (think: suppressors and machine guns), at least for the majority of us. "America: From Freedom to Fascism" does for the TRUTH what Michael Moore's "Bowling for Columbine" did for the "big lie". Please, check the screening schedule at www.freedomtofascism.com

-- Jews for the Preservation of Firearms Ownership, www.jpfo.org

Letters to the Editor

Greetings,

For us down here in what was once Texas, which is now almost an extension of Mexico, we are hanging on.

This south of the border movement is for real.

They mean business! They say that they are going to kill all whites when the time is right. They fly the Mexican flag everywhere, at churches, schools, homes, from their cars etc. The university professors (Mexican) declare that the Mexicans will drive every white out by extermination!

The American is asleep! I don't think the majority will come to the rescue of this country! I hope I am wrong.

Thanks for the outstanding work and your sincere dedication. May our Lord and Master be with you always.

In the cause of freedom,

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Gentlemen,

First of all I would like to thank you for sending your newsletter. It is read by many people after I am done with it. I have also asked our hosts on Liberty Tree Radio to read some of the articles on the air giving you full credit. I know that you are mentioned on regular basis to include point of contact.

A quick point. Over the years you have been so kind as to give out our station website information. However, it is interesting to notice that every time this was done one letter in each of the websites addresses was wrong. (Yes, each time!!) So though I am sure you have them and it is strange that the error would take place in the NJM newsletter here they are again just in case.

www.pbn.4mg.com www.libertytreeradio.4mg.com www.live365.com/stations/edtheak47

Well, Book 2 of the "Battle for the Republic" series should be out shortly. The final text with appendices is complete with my daughter doing the cover art. "The Winter War" will be followed by the next in the series, "A Dark Anniversary", within three weeks. I may use one of four publisher-printers that are allies. A parallel work that will include a full order of battle, personalities, and weapons systems overview will be going out to yet another publisher. This work will be extensively illustrated and contain unique art work like no other. I have collected three years worth of work sending it out as it was completed. The final elements are now in place and outside. I hope to have at least eight books of "The Battle for the Republic" series by the time I leave here. (Perhaps sooner.) The work will continue.

Nancy has informed me about "LTR" picking up several hours of short wave time. To find out more about what is going on there and how things are going with the book release give Nancy a call or email. Just in case here are our contact addresses again.

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I am enclosing some of the flyers for promotion of the books. They are just one of the many ongoing project developments at this end that I have already sent out around the country. We have friends everywhere.

Most truly we do.

Please write if you have the time. I will continue to do all that I can. God bless and watch over you and yours. I am and always will be your brother in arms and victory.

Mark Gregory., Koernke

Writing from a Michigan lockup G.D.W!

Ed.: Mark, you have our admiration for making the most of the situation. Also, we've told our proofreader to re-clean his specs and get with it, so this time we give out the correct website addresses! And if you think it's appropriate consider adding www.njmillitia.org to your links page.

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